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**INMATE CHARGED WITH ASSAULT ON
FOUR CORRECTION OFFICERS**

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that THOMAS WALKER, 34, a federal prisoner, was indicted today by a federal grand jury sitting in Indianapolis for the aggravated assault of four correctional officers at the United States Penitentiary, Terre Haute. The investigation leading to this indictment was conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Federal Bureau of Prisons.

The indictment alleges that WALKER assaulted the correctional officers on July 14, 2004 by stabbing them with a sharpened metal rod. The indictment indicated each of the officers was injured in the assaults.

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According to Assistant United States Attorney James M. Warden, who is prosecuting the case for the government, WALKER faces a maximum possible prison sentence of 20 years and a maximum possible fine of \$250,000 on each count. An initial hearing will be scheduled before a U.S. Magistrate Judge in Terre Haute.

The indictment is an allegation only, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty at trial or by guilty plea.

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